## CHAPTER 101 LICENSURE OF FUNERAL DIRECTORS, FUNERAL ESTABLISHMENTS, AND CREMATION ESTABLISHMENTS

[Prior to 9/21/88, see Health Department[470] Ch 147] [Prior to 7/10/02, see 645—100.9(156) and 645—100.10(156)]

**645—101.1(156) Definitions.** For purposes of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

"Active license" means a license that is current and has not expired.

"Board" means the board of mortuary science.

"Grace period" means the 30-day period following expiration of a license when the license is still considered to be active. In order to renew a license during the grace period, a licensee is required to pay a late fee.

"Inactive license" means a license that has expired because it was not renewed by the end of the grace period. The category of "inactive license" may include licenses formerly known as lapsed, inactive, delinquent, closed, or retired.

"Licensee" means any person licensed to practice as a funeral director in the state of Iowa.

"License expiration date" means the fifteenth day of the birth month every two years following initial licensure.

"Licensure by endorsement" means the issuance of an Iowa license to practice mortuary science to an applicant who is or has been licensed in another state.

"Reactivate" or "reactivation" means the process as outlined in rule 101.18(17A,147,272C) by which an inactive license is restored to active status.

"Reciprocal license" means the issuance of an Iowa license to practice mortuary science to an applicant who is currently licensed in another state which has a mutual agreement with the Iowa board of mortuary science to license persons who have the same or similar qualifications to those required in Iowa.

"Reinstatement" means the process as outlined in 645—11.31(272C) by which a licensee who has had a license suspended or revoked or who voluntarily surrendered a license may apply to have the license reinstated, with or without conditions. Once the license is reinstated, the licensee may apply for active status.

### **645—101.2(156)** Requirements for licensure. The following criteria shall apply to licensure:

- **101.2(1)** The applicant shall complete a board-approved application packet. Application forms may be obtained from the board's Web site (<a href="http://www.idph.state.ia.us/licensure">http://www.idph.state.ia.us/licensure</a>) or directly from the board office. All applications shall be sent to Board of Mortuary Science, Professional Licensure Division, Fifth Floor, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.
- **101.2(2)** The applicant shall complete the application form according to the instructions contained in the application. If the application is not completed according to the instructions, the application will not be reviewed by the board.
- **101.2(3)** Each application shall be accompanied by the appropriate fees payable to the Board of Mortuary Science. The fees are nonrefundable.
- **101.2(4)** No application will be considered by the board until official copies of academic transcripts showing the completion of training in a college of mortuary science approved by the Iowa board of mortuary science have been sent directly from the school to the board.
- **101.2(5)** Licensees who were issued their initial licenses within six months prior to the renewal shall not be required to renew their licenses until the renewal month two years later.
- **101.2(6)** Incomplete applications that have been on file in the board office for more than two years shall be:
  - a. Considered invalid and shall be destroyed; or
- b. Maintained upon written request of the candidate. The candidate is responsible for requesting that the file be maintained.

### 645—101.3(156) Educational qualifications.

- **101.3(1)** The applicant shall be issued a license to practice mortuary science by the board when the applicant has successfully completed:
- a. A minimum of 60 hours as indicated on the transcript from a regionally accredited college or university with a minimum of a 2.0 or "C" grade point average. The 60 semester hours shall not include any technical mortuary science courses; and
- b. A program in mortuary science from a school accredited by the American Board of Funeral Service Education.
- c. Prior to July 1, 2007, an examination covering the Iowa law and rules for mortuary science with a score of at least 75 percent, or a college course of at least one semester hour or equivalent in current Iowa law and rules covering mortuary science content areas including but not limited to Iowa law and rules governing the practice of mortuary science, cremation, vital statistics, cemeteries and preneed. Beginning July 1, 2007, a college course of at least one semester hour or equivalent in current Iowa law and rules covering mortuary science content areas including but not limited to Iowa law and rules governing the practice of mortuary science, cremation, vital statistics, cemeteries and preneed.

101.3(2) Foreign-trained funeral directors shall:

- a. Provide an equivalency evaluation of their educational credentials by International Educational Research Foundations, Inc., Credentials Evaluation Service, P.O. Box 3665, Culver City, CA 90231-3665, telephone (310)258-9451, Web site <a href="www.ierf.org">www.ierf.org</a>, or E-mail at <a href="mailto:info@ierf.org">info@ierf.org</a>. The professional curriculum must be equivalent to that stated in these rules. A candidate shall bear the expense of the curriculum evaluation.
- b. Provide a notarized copy of the certificate or diploma awarded to the applicant from a mortuary science program in the country in which the applicant was educated.
  - c. Receive a final determination from the board regarding the application for licensure.
- d. Prior to July 1, 2007, successfully pass an examination covering the Iowa law and rules for mortuary science with a score of at least 75 percent or a college course of at least one semester hour or equivalent in current Iowa law and rules covering mortuary science content areas including but not limited to Iowa law and rules governing the practice of mortuary science, cremation, vital statistics, cemeteries and preneed. Beginning July 1, 2007, successfully complete a college course of at least one semester hour or equivalent in current Iowa law and rules covering mortuary science content areas including but not limited to Iowa law and rules governing the practice of mortuary science, cremation, vital statistics, cemeteries and preneed.

### 645—101.4(156) Examination requirements.

**101.4(1)** The board shall accept a certificate of examination issued by the International Conference of Funeral Service Examining Boards, Inc., indicating a passing score on both the arts and sciences portions of the examination.

101.4(2) Prior to being registered as an intern in Iowa and prior to July 1, 2007, an applicant shall be required to pass an examination covering the Iowa law and rules for mortuary science or a college course of at least one semester hour or equivalent in current Iowa law and rules covering mortuary science content areas including but not limited to Iowa law and rules governing the practice of mortuary science, cremation, vital statistics, cemeteries and preneed. A 75 percent score shall be required for passing this examination. Beginning July 1, 2007, prior to being registered as an intern in Iowa, an applicant shall successfully complete a college course of at least one semester hour or equivalent in current Iowa law and rules covering mortuary science content areas including but not limited to Iowa law and rules governing the practice of mortuary science, cremation, vital statistics, cemeteries and preneed.

### 645—101.5(147,156) Internship and preceptorship.

**101.5**(1) *Internship*.

- a. The intern must serve a minimum of one year of internship under the direct supervision of an Iowa board-certified preceptor. The beginning and ending dates of the internship shall be indicated on the internship certificate. The intern shall engage in the practice of mortuary science only during the time indicated on the internship certificate. The intern must be approved and licensed following a successful internship before the intern may practice mortuary science.
- b. The intern shall, during this internship, embalm not fewer than 25 human remains and direct or assist in the direction of not fewer than 25 funerals under the direct supervision of the certified preceptor and report on forms furnished by the department of public health. Work on the first 5 embalming cases and funeral cases must be completed in the physical presence of the preceptor. The first 12 embalming cases and first 12 funeral case reports must be completed and submitted by the completion of the sixth month of the internship.
- c. Before being eligible for licensure, the intern must have filed the 25 completed embalming and funeral directing case reports and a 6-month and a 12-month evaluation form with the department of public health.
- d. No licensed funeral director shall permit any person in the funeral director's employ or under the funeral director's supervision or control to serve an internship in funeral directing unless that person has a certificate of registration as a registered intern from the department of public health.
- e. No licensed funeral director or licensed funeral establishment shall have more than one intern funeral director for the first 100 human remains embalmed or funerals conducted per year, and with a maximum of two interns per funeral establishment.
- f. Registered interns shall not advertise or hold themselves out as funeral directors or use the degree F.D. or any other title or abbreviation indicating that the intern is a funeral director.
- g. The length of an internship may be extended if the board determines that the intern requires additional time or supervision in order to meet the minimum proficiency in the practice of mortuary science.
- h. Every person who is registered as an intern with the department of public health shall have a registration certificate posted in a conspicuous place in the intern's primary place of practice.
- *i.* Internship begins upon approval and due notification by the board. Application for change of preceptor or any other alteration must be made in writing and approval granted by the board before the status of the intern is altered.
- *j.* When, for any valid reason, the board determines that the education of a registered intern which is being received under the supervision of the present preceptor might be detrimental to the intern or the profession at large, the intern may be required to serve the remainder of the internship under the supervision of a licensed funeral director who meets the approval of the board.
- *k.* The intern shall complete a confidential evaluation of the preceptorship program at the end of the internship on a form provided by the board. This form shall be submitted before the funeral director's license is issued to the intern.
- *l.* The intern shall, during the internship, be a full-time employee with the funeral establishment at the site of internship except as provided in subrule 101.5(2), paragraph "j."

#### 101.5(2) Preceptorship.

a. A preceptor must have a valid preceptor certificate. A preceptor must have completed a training course within five years prior to accepting an intern. If the certification is older than five years, the funeral director must recertify as specified by the board.

- b. Any duly Iowa-licensed funeral director who has been practicing for a minimum of five years and who has not had any formal disciplinary action within the past five years with the board of mortuary science and has completed a board-approved training course will be eligible to be a preceptor. This training course is to cover mortuary science Iowa law and rule content areas including but not limited to Iowa law and rules governing licensure and the practice of mortuary science and human resource issues. The training course may be counted toward the continuing education hours required for that licensing period.
- c. Is affiliated with a funeral establishment that has not had any formal disciplinary action within the past five years.
- d. The preceptor is required to file a progress report of the intern that has been signed by both the preceptor and the intern on a board-prescribed form. The 6-month progress report form shall be submitted to the board by the end of the sixth month. The 12-month progress report form shall be submitted to the board by the end of the twelfth month.
- e. The preceptor shall certify that the intern engages in the practice of mortuary science only during the time frame designated on the official intern certificate.
  - f. A preceptor's duties shall include the following:
  - (1) Be physically present and supervise the first five embalmings and first five funeral cases;
  - (2) Familiarize the intern in the areas specified by the preceptor training outline;
- (3) Read and sign each of the 25 embalming reports and the 25 funeral directing reports completed by the intern;
- (4) Complete a written six-month report of the intern on a form provided by the board. This report is to be reviewed with and signed by the intern and submitted to the board before the end of the seventh month; and
- (5) At the end of the internship, complete a confidential evaluation of the intern on a form provided by the board. This evaluation shall be submitted within two weeks of the end of the internship.
- g. Failure of a preceptor to fulfill the requirements set forth by the board, including failure to remit the required six-month progress report, as well as the final evaluation, shall result in an investigation of the preceptor by the board.
- h. If a preceptor does not serve the entire year, the board will evaluate the situation; and if a certified preceptor is not available, a licensed funeral director may serve with the approval of the board.
- *i.* No licensed funeral director or licensed funeral establishment shall have more than one intern funeral director for the first 100 human remains embalmed or funerals conducted per year, and with a maximum of two interns per funeral establishment.
- *j.* With prior board approval, an intern may serve under the supervision of more than one preceptor under the following terms and conditions:
  - (1) A single preceptor must act in the role of the primary preceptor.
  - (2) The primary preceptor is responsible for coordinating all intern training and activities.
- (3) The intern shall be a full-time employee of the funeral establishment of the primary preceptor; however, compensation may be shared between preceptors.
- (4) The primary preceptor may make arrangements with a maximum of two additional preceptors to share preceptor responsibilities for such purposes as providing an intern with a higher volume practice or a broader range of intern experiences.
- (5) Each preceptor shall be individually responsible for directly supervising the intern's activities performed under the preceptor's guidance, but the primary preceptor remains responsible for coordinating the intern's activities and submitting all forms to the board.

### 645—101.6(156) Student practicum.

- **101.6(1)** A student may participate in a student practicum in a licensed funeral establishment in Iowa if the student's school is accredited by and in good standing with the American Board of Funeral Service Education (ABFSE). The student practicum must meet the requirements of the ABFSE.
- **101.6(2)** Students serving a practicum in Iowa shall be under the direct physical supervision of a funeral director who meets the following requirements:
- a. Has completed the Iowa preceptor training course within the immediately preceding five years.
  - b. Has not had any formal disciplinary action within the past five years.
- c. Is affiliated with a funeral establishment that has not had formal disciplinary action within the past five years.

## 645—101.7(156) Funeral establishment license or cremation establishment license or both establishment licenses.

- 101.7(1) Any person or any corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company, voluntary organization or any other entity doing business in this state may erect, maintain, and operate a funeral establishment, cremation establishment, or both establishments, provided the necessary appliances and facilities for the care, preparation and disposition of human remains are in place and proper licenses are obtained and maintained.
- a. A funeral establishment, a cremation establishment, or a combined funeral and cremation establishment shall not be operated until it has obtained a license from the board. Such an establishment shall timely renew the license in order to continue operations.
- b. A funeral or cremation establishment shall surrender its license to the board if it fails to engage in or ceases to engage in the business for which the license was issued, pursuant to Iowa Code section 156.15(2) "d."
  - c. A funeral or cremation establishment license is not transferable or assignable.
- d. A change in ownership shall require the issuance of a new license. A change in ownership shall be reported to the board prior to the date ownership will change or, in the case of change of ownership by death or other unexpected event, within 30 days following change of ownership. The board may request legal proof of the ownership transfer. A change in ownership shall be defined as any change of controlling interest in any corporation or other business entity.
- e. An establishment license shall be issued for a specific physical location. A change in location or site of an establishment shall require the submission of an application for a new license and payment of the fee required by 645—subrule 105.1(9). A new establishment license must be issued prior to the commencement of business in a new location.
- f. A change in the name of an establishment shall be reported to the board within 30 days. The establishment owner shall pay the fee for reissuing the certificate.
- g. A change in address or of the funeral director in responsible charge shall be reported to the board within 30 days.
- h. An establishment shall have an employment or other relationship with one or more licensed funeral directors who shall perform all mortuary science services for which licensure as a funeral director is required by Iowa Code chapter 156. A cremation establishment is not, however, required to employ or contract with a funeral director on an ongoing basis because a cremation establishment shall not offer services directly to the general public. When a funeral establishment has an employment or other relationship with multiple funeral directors, the funeral establishment shall designate the funeral director who shall be in responsible charge of all mortuary science services performed at the funeral establishment. The funeral establishment shall report to the board any change of the funeral director in responsible charge within 30 days of the change.

- i. All funeral or cremation establishments shall maintain the necessary appliances and facilities for the care, preparation and disposition of human remains as are required by all applicable federal, state or local laws, rules, and ordinances. An establishment license shall not be issued to a person or business entity that does not maintain a business at the physical location for which the license was issued.
- *j.* The board shall not routinely issue more than one establishment license for a single location, but the board may do so if the multiple applicants provide proof, satisfactory to the board, that the establishments are wholly separate except for the sharing of facilities. If the board issues more than one establishment license for a single location, the licensees shall ensure that the public will not be confused or deceived as to the establishment with which the public is interacting. A facility may have a funeral establishment license and a separate cremation establishment license at a single location.
- k. The establishment license shall be displayed in a conspicuous place at the location of the establishment.
- *l.* Failure to comply with any of these rules shall constitute grounds for discipline pursuant to 645—Chapter 103 or civil penalties for unlicensed practice pursuant to 645—Chapter 104.
- 101.7(2) A funeral establishment, cremation establishment, or both establishments shall be subject to applicable local, state and federal health and environmental requirements and shall obtain all necessary licenses and permits from the agencies with jurisdiction.
- **101.7(3)** License application. An application for a funeral establishment license, cremation establishment license, or both establishment licenses shall be in writing on forms furnished by the board and shall be accompanied by the funeral or cremation establishment fee. The application shall contain all of the following:
  - a. The name, mailing address and telephone number of the applicant.
  - b. The physical location of the establishment.
  - c. The mailing address, telephone number, fax and E-mail address of the establishment.
- d. The name, home address and telephone number of the individual in charge who has the authority and responsibility for the establishment's compliance with laws and rules pertaining to the operation of the establishment.
- e. The name and address of all owners and managers of the establishment (e.g., sole proprietor, partner, director, officer, managing partner, member, or shareholder with 10 percent or more of the stock).
- f. The legal name of the establishment and all trade names, assumed names, or other names used by the establishment.
- g. The signature of the responsible authority at the site of the establishment and an acknowledgment of the funeral director in responsible charge of mortuary science services at the funeral establishment that the funeral director is aware of and consents to the designation.
- h. The names and license numbers of all funeral directors employed by or associated with the establishment through contract or otherwise who provide mortuary science services at or for the establishment. When a funeral establishment has an employment or other relationship with multiple funeral directors, the funeral establishment shall designate the funeral director who shall be in responsible charge of all mortuary science services performed at the funeral establishment. No funeral establishment shall be issued a license if it fails to designate the funeral director in responsible charge of the mortuary science services to be performed at the establishment.
- *i.* All felony or misdemeanor convictions of the applicant and all owners and managing officers of the applicant (except minor traffic offenses with fines of less than \$500).
- *j.* All disciplinary actions against any professional or occupational license of the applicant by any jurisdiction including, but not limited to, disciplinary action by the Iowa insurance division under Iowa Code chapter 523A or 523I, or action by the Federal Trade Commission.
- *k.* Further information that the board may reasonably require, such as whether the establishment includes a preparation room.

- **645—101.8(156)** Licensure by endorsement. An applicant who has been a licensed funeral director under the laws of another jurisdiction shall file an application for licensure by endorsement with the board office. Applicants licensed before 1980 are exempt from showing a passing grade on the national board examination. The board may receive by endorsement any applicant from the District of Columbia or another state, territory, province or foreign country who:
  - **101.8(1)** Submits to the board a completed application;
  - 101.8(2) Pays the licensure fee;
  - 101.8(3) Shows evidence of licensure requirements that are similar to those required in Iowa;
- **101.8(4)** Provides official copies of the academic transcripts showing the completion of a mortuary science program accredited by the American Board of Funeral Service Education;
- **101.8(5)** Provides official transcript of grades showing 60 semester hours from a regionally accredited college or university with a minimum of a 2.0 or "C" grade point average;
- **101.8(6)** Prior to July 1, 2007, successfully passes an examination covering the Iowa law and rules for mortuary science with a score of at least 75 percent or a college course of at least one semester hour or equivalent in current Iowa law and rules covering mortuary science content areas including but not limited to Iowa law and rules governing the practice of mortuary science, cremation, vital statistics, cemeteries and preneed. Beginning July 1, 2007, an applicant must complete a college course of at least one semester hour or equivalent in current Iowa law and rules covering mortuary science content areas including but not limited to Iowa law and rules governing the practice of mortuary science, cremation, vital statistics, cemeteries and preneed;
- **101.8**(7) Furnishes certified evidence of two or more years of actual practice as a licensed funeral director in the state from which the applicant desires to endorse;
- **101.8(8)** Was issued the initial license by endorsement within six months of the birth month and will not be required to renew the license until the fifteenth day of the birth month two years later. The new licensee is exempt from meeting the continuing education requirement for the continuing education biennium in which the license was originally issued;
- **101.8(9)** Provides verification of license(s) from every jurisdiction in which the applicant has been licensed, sent directly from the jurisdiction(s) to the board office. Web-based verification may be substituted for verification direct from the jurisdiction's board office if the verification provides:
  - a. Licensee's name;
  - b. Date of initial licensure;
  - c. Current licensure status; and
  - d. Any disciplinary action taken against the license.
- **645—101.9(156)** Licensure by reciprocal agreement. The board may enter into a reciprocal agreement with the District of Columbia or any state, territory, province or foreign country with equal or similar requirements for licensure of funeral directors. The applicant shall take the examination required by the board.

#### 645—101.10(156) License renewal.

**101.10(1)** The biennial license renewal period for a license to practice as a funeral director shall begin on the sixteenth day of the licensee's birth month and end on the fifteenth day of the licensee's birth month two years later. The board shall send a renewal notice by regular mail to each licensee at the address on record at least 60 days prior to expiration of the license. The licensee is responsible for renewing the license prior to its expiration. Failure of the licensee to receive the notice does not relieve the licensee of the responsibility for renewing the licensee. All licensees shall renew on a biennial basis.

**101.10(2)** An individual who was issued a license within six months of the license renewal date will not be required to renew the license until the subsequent renewal date two years later. Continuing education hours acquired anytime from the initial licensing until the second license renewal may be used. The licensee will be required to complete a minimum of 24 hours of continuing education per biennium for each subsequent license renewal. Effective July 1, 2007, 2 of the 24 hours of continuing education shall be in current Iowa law and rules.

### **101.10(3)** A licensee seeking renewal shall:

- a. Meet the continuing education requirements of rule 645—102.2(272C). A licensee whose license was reactivated during the current renewal compliance period may use continuing education credit earned during the compliance period for the first renewal following reactivation; and
  - b. Submit the completed renewal application and renewal fee before the license expiration date.
- c. Persons licensed to practice funeral directing shall keep their renewal licenses displayed in a conspicuous public place at the primary site of practice.
- 101.10(4) Upon receiving the information required by this rule and the required fee, board staff shall administratively issue a two-year license and shall send the licensee a wallet card by regular mail. In the event the board receives adverse information on the renewal application, the board shall issue the renewal license but may refer the adverse information for further consideration or disciplinary investigation.
- **101.10(5)** A person licensed to practice as a funeral director shall keep the license certificate displayed in a conspicuous public place at the primary site of practice.
- **101.10(6)** Late renewal. The license shall become late when the license has not been renewed by the expiration date on the wallet card. The licensee shall be assessed a late fee as specified in 645—subrule 105.1(3). To renew a late license, the licensee shall complete the renewal requirements and submit the late fee within the grace period.
- **101.10(7)** Inactive license. A licensee who fails to renew the license by the end of the grace period has an inactive license. A licensee whose license is inactive continues to hold the privilege of licensure in Iowa, but may not practice as a funeral director in Iowa until the license is reactivated. A licensee who practices as a funeral director in the state of Iowa with an inactive license may be subject to disciplinary action by the board, injunctive action pursuant to Iowa Code section 147.83, criminal sanctions pursuant to Iowa Code section 147.86, and other available legal remedies.

## 645—101.11(147) Duplicate certificate or wallet card.

- **101.11(1)** A duplicate wallet card or duplicate certificate shall be required if the current wallet card or certificate is lost, stolen or destroyed. A duplicate wallet card or a duplicate certificate shall be issued only under such circumstances.
- **101.11(2)** A duplicate wallet card or duplicate certificate shall be issued upon receipt of the completed application for duplicate license and payment of the fee as specified in rule 645—104.1(147,156).
- **101.11(3)** If the board receives a completed application for duplicate license stating that the wallet card or certificate was not received within 60 days after being mailed by the board, no fee shall be required for issuing the duplicate wallet card or duplicate certificate.
- **645—101.12(147) Reissued certificate or wallet card.** The board shall reissue a certificate or current wallet card upon receipt of a written request from the licensee, return of the original document, and payment of the fee as specified in rule 645—104.1(147,156).

## 645—101.13(272C) Renewal of a funeral establishment license or cremation establishment license or both establishment licenses.

- **101.13(1)** The renewal cycle shall be triennial beginning July 1 and ending on June 30 of the third year. The renewal shall be:
  - a. Submitted on a form provided by the board; and
  - b. Accompanied by the renewal fee.
- **101.13(2)** A renewal of license application shall be mailed at least 60 days prior to the expiration of the license. Failure to receive the notice shall not relieve the license holder of the obligation to pay triennial renewal fees on or before the renewal date.
- **101.13(3)** Funeral and cremation establishments shall keep their renewal licenses displayed in a conspicuous public place at the primary site of practice.
- **101.13(4)** Late renewal. If the renewal fee and renewal application are received within 30 days after the license renewal expiration date, the late fee for failure to renew before expiration shall be charged.
- **101.13(5)** When all requirements for license renewal are met, the licensee shall be sent a license renewal card by regular mail.

# 645—101.14(272C) Inactive funeral establishment license or cremation establishment license or both establishment licenses.

- **101.14(1)** If the renewal application and fee are not postmarked within 30 days after the license expiration date, the funeral establishment license or cremation establishment license is inactive. To reactivate a funeral establishment license or a cremation establishment license, the reactivation application and fee shall be submitted to the board office.
- **101.14(2)** A funeral establishment or a cremation establishment that has not renewed the funeral establishment license or cremation establishment license within the required time frame will have an inactive license and shall not provide mortuary science services until the license is reactivated.
- **645**—**101.15**(**17A**,**147**,**272C**) **License reinstatement.** For a funeral or cremation establishment license that has been revoked, suspended, or voluntarily surrendered, the owner must apply for and receive reinstatement of the license in accordance with 645—11.31(272C) and must apply for and be granted reactivation of the license in accordance with 101.14(272C) prior to offering mortuary science services from that establishment in this state.
- 645—101.16(272C) Reinstatement of a funeral establishment license or a cremation establishment license or both establishment licenses. Rescinded IAB 1/4/06, effective 2/8/06.
- **645—101.17(17A,147,272C)** License denial. Rescinded IAB 1/4/06, effective 2/8/06.
- **645**—**101.18**(**17A**,**147**,**272C**) **License reactivation.** To apply for reactivation of an inactive license, a licensee shall:
  - **101.18(1)** Submit a reactivation application on a form provided by the board.
  - **101.18(2)** Pay the reactivation fee that is due as specified in 645—Chapter 105.

- **101.18(3)** Provide verification of current competence to practice as a funeral director by satisfying one of the following criteria:
- a. If the license has been on inactive status for five years or less, an applicant must provide the following:
- (1) Verification of the license(s) from every jurisdiction in which the applicant is or has been licensed and is or has been practicing during the time period the Iowa license was inactive, sent directly from the jurisdiction(s) to the board office. Web-based verification may be substituted for verification from a jurisdiction's board office if the verification includes:
  - 1. Licensee's name;
  - 2. Date of initial licensure;
  - 3. Current licensure status; and
  - 4. Any disciplinary action taken against the license; and
- (2) Verification of completion of 24 hours of continuing education that meet continuing education standards defined in 645—102.3(156,272C) within two years prior to filing the application for reactivation; and
- (3) Verification of completion of 2 hours of continuing education in current Iowa law and rules covering mortuary science content areas including but not limited to Iowa law and rules governing the practice of mortuary science, cremation, vital statistics, cemeteries and preneed. These 2 hours shall be included as a part of the 24 hours required in 101.18(3) "a"(2).
- b. If the license has been on inactive status for more than five years, an applicant must provide the following:
- (1) Verification of the license(s) from every jurisdiction in which the applicant is or has been licensed and is or has been practicing during the time period the Iowa license was inactive, sent directly from the jurisdiction(s) to the board office. Web-based verification may be substituted for verification from a jurisdiction's board office if the verification includes:
  - 1. Licensee's name;
  - 2. Date of initial licensure;
  - Current licensure status; and
  - 4. Any disciplinary action taken against the license; and
- (2) Verification of completion of 48 hours of continuing education that meet continuing education standards defined in 645—subrule 102.3(1) and 645—paragraphs 102.3(2)"a," "b," "c," and "e," within two years prior to filing the application for reactivation. Independent study identified in 645—paragraph 102.3(2)"f" shall not exceed 24 hours of the 48 hours; and
- (3) Prior to July 1, 2007, verification of successful passage of an examination covering the Iowa law and rules for mortuary science with a score of at least 75 percent or a college course of at least one semester hour or equivalent in current Iowa law and rules covering mortuary science content areas including but not limited to Iowa law and rules governing the practice of mortuary science, cremation, vital statistics, cemeteries and preneed. Beginning July 1, 2007, verification of completion of a college course of at least one semester hour or equivalent in current Iowa law and rules covering mortuary science content areas including but not limited to Iowa law and rules governing the practice of mortuary science, cremation, vital statistics, cemeteries and preneed.

**645—101.19(17A,147,272C) License reinstatement.** A licensee whose license has been revoked, suspended, or voluntarily surrendered must apply for and receive reinstatement of the license in accordance with 645—11.31(272C) and must apply for and be granted reactivation of the license in accordance with 101.18(17A,147,272C) prior to practicing as a funeral director in this state. The owner of a funeral home establishment whose establishment license has been revoked, suspended, or voluntarily surrendered must apply for and receive reinstatement of the establishment license and must apply for and be granted reactivation of the establishment license prior to reopening the funeral home establishment.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapters 17A, 147, 156 and 272C.

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